

SLOOP JOHN B

#16

Music & Lyrics Unknown (Bahamain traditional)

We come on the sloop John B
My grandfather and me
Around Nassau town we did roam
Drinking all night
Got into a fight
Well I feel so broke up - I wanna go home

So, hoist up the John B's sails
See how the mainsail sets
Call for the Captain ashore
Let me go home.
Let me go home - I wanna go home
Well, I feel so broke up - I wanna go home

The first mate he got drunk
And broke in the Captain's trunk
The constable had to come and take him away
Sheriff John Stone
Why don't you leave me alone
Well, I feel so broke up - I wanna go home

So, hoist up the John B's sails
See how the mainsail sets
Call for the Captain ashore
Let me go home.
Let me go home - I wanna go home
Well, I feel so broke up - I wanna go home

The cook he caught the fits
And threw away all my grits
And then he took and he ate up all of my corn
Let me go home

Why don't they let me go home
This is the worst trip I've ever been on

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See how the mainsail sets
Call for the Captain ashore
Let me go home.
Let me go home - I wanna go home
Well, I feel so broke up - I wanna go home

Well, I feel so broke up - I wanna go home